

THE BULLETIN.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1881.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

The first bird of spring was beginning to sing. It was heard at a note. He fell from the tree. A dead bird was found. For the music had been in his throat.

—Fishing now is all the rage.

—Don't eat green cucumbers; they'll Wup.

—Linen dusters, white linen pants, and picnics will soon be ushered in.

—"Fine day overhead," said one gentleman to another. "Yes," said No. 2, "but very few are going that way." Tableau—curtain drops.

—Fresh vegetables from New Orleans have appeared upon the tables of the hotels in this city.

—The festive strawberry has also showed itself, though in rather delicate health.

—Fresh strawberries from Louisiana, at a quarter a small box, are for sale in Memphis.

—A "Spelling Bee" has been organized by the young gentlemen and ladies of Somerville.

—Pleas, mosquitoes, buffalo gnats and cockroaches, spring and summer visitors, have put in an appearance. —[Memphis Appeal.]

—On the Trent place, near Somerville, Fayette county, Tenn., last week, Grace Lewis, a colored girl, was burned to death in a field while burning brush.

—The Gallatin Examiner cruelly remarks that there are two groceries in a county district in Sumner county, that took in last year, six times more money for meat, rot-gut whiskey, than is paid by the entire district to the State upon all their real and personal property. And, how they did howl last year over high taxes! So in several districts in Hardeman.

—Pulaski, Tenn., is experiencing the most extraordinary revival of religion ever known in that town. It embraces all denominations. The conversions, amounting to over two hundred, are principally confined to old, middle-aged, or grown-up persons.

—Jesse Norment and J. A. Wilson represented the Bolivar Knights of Honor at the Grand Lodge in Nashville.

—At the Tri-State medical society lately held in Memphis, Dr. T. E. Prewett, of the Junction, was selected to prepare an essay for the annual meeting, on practical medicine.

—It is an honor to be a road commissioner, considering the circumstances attending the election of commissioners by the court. The best men were selected, and not one should decline the honor. The road law will be a failure unless our fittest men manage it.

—The Sons and Daughters of Charity, a colored benevolent society of Bolivar, had their treasury robbed on Tuesday night of about two hundred dollars. The box containing this money was at the home of Nathan Harris, (col.) who was in Memphis at the time of the stealing.

—We regret to hear of the death of Groves Rook, which occurred at his residence at Piney, on Tuesday. He was a most worthy citizen.

—Rev. D. W. Leath, of the Pochontas Institute is in town. Glad to see him.

—The Rev. Dr. F. A. Shoup, of Jackson, Tenn., will deliver a lecture in the regular course at St. James Hall, on to-morrow night. Subject—Shakespeare. The usual interesting musical exercises will be had.

—The floral decorations of St. James church on Easter Sunday were very elaborate and most beautiful. That holy day was aptly symbolized by choice spring-time flower offerings.

John A. Jones will hold a school exhibition on to-morrow night at the Methodist church, colored. The public is invited.

—Prof. Graff, of New Orleans, professor of instrumental music, will soon wait on the people of Bolivar to form a class in music.

Musical Feast.

Through the kindness of Mrs. W. T. Armistead, Prof. Graff, of New Orleans, recently of Pochontas, will give a musical entertainment at her residence, on Monday evening, 22d inst., commencing at eight o'clock. We take pleasure in commending Prof. Graff to the good people of Bolivar as an able instructor in music, and every way worthy of confidence.

D. W. LEATH,
Principal Leath Institute, Pochontas, Tennessee.

THE RECEPTION

At the Fentress House in Honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Polk.

The Youth, Beauty and Chivalry Assembled to Welcome the Handsome Pair to their Future Home.

On Tuesday evening, the 19th inst., Mr. John J. Polk and lady, after returning from a bridal tour to New Orleans and other Southern cities, gave a reception at the Fentress House, which, for elegance of toilets, magnificent supper and universal enjoyment has never been excelled in our little city. The dance began at 9, and was kept up until 3 G. M. [Good Morning], with the exception of an hour, from 11 to 12, during which the guests were served with a splendid supper.

the fruits, cakes, etc., having been brought from New Orleans.

The reception was attended by the elite of the county, a number of young ladies from abroad also being present.

THE TOILETS.

The bride, formerly Miss Annie Godwin, of Memphis, was attired in pale blue satin and velvet, with silver threads, beaded brocade oversleeves, every figure formed by pearls or opal beads; a train of handsome satin de Lyon.

MISS FANNIE STEWART, of New Castle, elegant satin merveilleux, Nile green and pearls; dress looped up with lilies.

Miss Sallie Ford, of Hopkinsville, Ky., white organdie, blue trimmings.

Miss Dora Donavant, of Memphis, blue satin, lace overdress.

Miss Annie McNeal, of LaGrange, black velvet, with shell pink nun's veiling.

Mrs. Henry Bond, of St. Louis, Mrs. R. H. Yancy, of Somerville, and Mrs. Colquhoun, of Canton, Miss., were in attendance, in elegant toilettes.

BOLIVAR'S FAVORITES.

Miss Ophelia Bille, white satin basque, corsage opened at the throat, triangular shape, the back forming a high Medicean collar, so very becoming.

Miss Nannie Fentress, white India mull, blue satin corsage, cream and pink flowers.

Miss Edmonia Fentress, black satin, daisies and rubies, making an elegant toilette.

Miss Frankie Smith, white satin, with flowers to match.

Miss Anna Lee Boyd, décolleté in white tulle, with cardinal bodice.

Miss Julia Upshaw, white swiss, lavender trimmings; pure white flowers.

Miss Mary Upshaw, cream colored organdie, with white flowers.

Miss Mollie Adams, white swiss, blue satin bodice.

Miss Maggie Dorion, lawn-colored silk.

Miss Minnie Neely, silver grey satin and velvet.

Miss Mary Joy Nelson, black velvet skirt, overdress of cream mull, crimson roses.

Miss Susie Smith, black satin skirt, white overdress, and cardinal flowers.

Messrs. Oscar and Thos. Polk, with their ladies, Mr. and Mrs. McNeal, of LaGrange, and Col. Horace Polk, relatives of the bridegroom, honored the occasion with their presence.

Mrs. Ann Fentress, Mrs. W. T. Armistead and Mrs. Jas. Fentress, Jr., are certainly to be complimented for the very tasteful arrangement of the dining room, and the magnificent repast which they had prepared for the guests, of whom over five hundred were served during the supper hour.

The bridal couple have the well wishes of the community, in the voyage of life, who trust no cloud shall ever obscure

PERSONAL.

Mrs. R. H. Yancy, of Somerville, is visiting friends in town.

Mrs. A. R. Barrett, with the enterprising house of F. H. Mayo, has been confined to his room for several days with chills and fever, but we are glad to see him out again.

Editor Yancey, of Somerville, made Bolivar a flying visit on Sunday, and soon left; but his accomplished wife he left behind to spend a few days with her many friends in town.

Bishop Quintard preached at St. James church on last Friday evening.

Joe M. Simmons, of Whiteville, has gone to the Keokuk college. Success to him.

Judge Fentress, of New Orleans, and Gen. Wallhall, of Grenada, Miss., have been in town for several days, attending to important railroad business with Gen. Neely, who is a material witness in a certain suit now pending in the United States court against Macomb.

Geo. Owen and lady, of the Valley, were in town on Sunday on a visit to their parents.

Miss Ivy Duke, of Clarksville, who is quite a belle, is visiting Mrs. Harkins.

Miss Sallie W. Ford, who has been on a visit of several weeks to her cousin, Miss Frank Smith, and other relatives, leaves this morning for her home in Hopkinsville, Ky. She is a young lady of many attractions and was very much admired, especially by the young men, some of whom will, for years to come, treasure up the pleasant recollections of her visit.

We hope she may be induced by one of the young men to return to Bolivar and make it her future home.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The justices met by appointment at the Courthouse on last Monday to act on the road law; with the following result:

COUNTY ROAD DISTRICTS.

No. 1.—Composed of Civil Districts 1, 2, 9, 10.

No. 2.—Composed of Civil Districts 3, 4.

No. 3.—Composed of Civil Districts 5, 6, 7, 8.

No. 4.—Composed of Civil Districts 11, 12, 17, 19.

No. 5.—Composed of Civil Districts 13, 14, 18.

No. 6.—Composed of Civil Districts 15, 16.

COMMISSIONERS ELECTED.

Road district No. 1.—John T. Lowe, clerk and treasurer for 3 years; R. J. Harris for 2 years; C. N. McCombs for 1 year.

Road district No. 2.—Thompson Allen, clerk and treasurer for 3 years; E. B. Stewart for 2 years; J. J. Kinney for 1 year.

Road district No. 3.—Jasper Hizer, clerk and treasurer for 3 years; S. H. Clinton for 2 years; A. W. C. Lewis for 1 year.

Road district No. 4.—Frank Lambeth, clerk and treasurer for 3 years; W. M. Minter for 3 years; G. W. Thompson for 1 year.

Road district No. 5.—J. M. Mitchell, clerk and treasurer for 3 years; Wm. Smith for 2 years; Esquire Wilson for 1 year.

Road district No. 6.—J. F. Roach, clerk and treasurer for 3 years; J. E. Bingham for 2 years; J. P. Nicholls for 1 year.

Road hands to work 6 days in a year.

Tax 5 cents on each \$100 of taxable property, for highway purposes, one-half to be paid in money and one-half in work.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

TEAGUE'S STATION, TENN., April 16, 1881.

EDITOR BULLETIN: I will give you a few more items from our place. Everything is cool as a cucumber, as far as I know. Mr. C. is now in the East making spring purchases. Mr. C. can be found any time behind the counter; he is Mr. C.'s salesman, and one of the most energetic men around this place, or was before that hyena got his meat. The correspondent from Chapel Hill will please let some of our people know what a hyena is, for there is one young man in this country that cut the piece out of the paper and walked 47 miles in one day, telling every one he chanced to meet to look out for the hyena was coming. I want him to go the next time that comes along, and see what a hyena is. There is some excitement about the piece that was sent from here some time ago. Mrs. T. thinks that the paper will be moved out here, and Mrs. Sallie J. says she is 30 years old, and her name was never in a paper before. She seemed to think it was somewhat of a sham on her to see her name in print.

The grass widows seem to carry the day on the other side of the creek.

On Friday night, the 1st inst., we had a grand dance at the residence of Mr. John Anderson. Everything passed off very nicely, and as for music, it could not be excelled. We had a full string band, with one horn; the musicians, Messrs. L. G. A., and D. D. S., with their violins, and Geo. R. with the banjo; T. Mc, with his horn, with T. R. and his base violin, made some thrilling notes. Lady attendants: Misses Fannie Day, Mollie Marsh, Nannie Gordon, from Pleasant Springs, Misses Tennie Ragon, Cillie Ragon, Mollie Darnell, Bettie and Jennie McFarly, of this place. At 10 O. C. every one was invited in to supper; the table was filled with an assortment of desserts to suit the most fastidious. Mr. A. will please give us another soon.

Farmers are getting pretty well done planting cotton. The cold weather seems to hold its own; peaches not all killed yet; will have a few to make pies. Uncle Jake goes under to-morrow. Mrs. Higgins died on the 25th of March, of congestion; she leaves a husband and two small babes to mourn her loss.

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briskly toward planting their crops, and are not going in debt much this year. That is the way to do. Don't pay the merchants such a heavy percentage for goods bought on time. One old farmer went to Toons the other-day to buy a barrel of flour, and says: "What do you think they wanted me to pay them, on time, for seven-dollar flour? Why, sir, nine dollars!" Oh, what an enormous percent! Don't pay it; live like myself, on Adam's ale and corn-dodgers.

May do good Lord watch over "Friend;" guide and direct his slippery feet in de way dat "Uncle Jake" is gwine, is de prayer of

RUSTICUS.

MIDDLEBURG, TENN., April 19th, 1881.

MR. EDITOR: Aside from "Observer's" weaknesses, he possesses many redeeming qualities. His profound judgment, good advice, etc., need no comparison. This week we are indebted to him for his advice on wearing tight boots.

His advice to those about to enter these unpleasant circumstances is like Punch's advice to those about to marry—"Don't," but should this be your unhappy lot, always observe these three rules:

First. Never wear them while traveling in cars, especially in company with a lady. But should this be impossible, observe rule

Second. Should you be compelled to pull them off while traveling, always put them on before time for changing cars, as they may become too small. Should the latter be your fate, remember this last resort, rule

Third. Assist the lady from the cars, and leave her in charge of the boots, while you "pull" for the nearest place to purchase a pair of slippers.

During his return from Mardi Gras at Memphis, our friend learned this from experience, not from Observation.

To-day the sad intelligence reaches us that "Novus Homo" has breathed his last. His young life, fraught with a promising future, was "nipped in the bud." An All-Wise Observer, seeing that his aspirations would bring him down to sorrow, spoke to his buoyant spirit: "Be at rest."

FRAUD.

Attention, Commissioners.

BOLIVAR, TENN., April 20, 1881.

EDITOR BULLETIN: The County Court, at its session on Monday, put in operation the new road law, and the county is to be congratulated upon the excellent selection of road commissioners by the County Court.

The efficiency of the law, in fact, depends upon the men who are elected commissioners, and the names given of themselves the best guarantee for good roads we have had for years.

We hope the commissioners appoint the very best and most competent men as overseers.

It is true, the compensation amounts to but little, either for commissioners or overseers, but the public has a right to call upon worthy and trusted citizens for occasional service for the public good, and it is much to be hoped that none of those elected by the county court will decline the responsibility placed upon them. Their neighbors and fellow citizens join with the magistrates in calling upon them to give some portion of their judgment and good sense, their time and energy, to the matter of our roads, and they should not fail us.

CITIZEN.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE, TENN., April 17, 1881.

MR. EDITOR: Our campus looks green and fresh. The trees are budding nicely, and everything seems to give tokens of beauty. We have mocking birds in abundance that chime forth their merry songs, and by their rollicking life give new inspiration to the scene that surrounds me. I am reminded of the pleasantness of these, especially after a walk in the city, which is either full of dust or covered with mud. But, Mr. Editor, the bottom can be found.

Two grand buildings—the University and Wesley Hall—stand towering before me, which make me feel insignificant as I walk around them. The massive walls, the lofty towers which look as if they would stand the wear of ages. The University building is too well known for me to attempt a description. Wesley Hall, which has been in course of construction for two years, is certainly a grand structure. It is not yet completed, but will be by September. From the roof to the ground, it is about 100 feet. It is 100x75 feet. There are rooms to accommodate 150 students, besides rooms for professors' families, also recitation, Young Men's Christian Association, chapel and rooms for the sick. It is almost the shape of the letter H, which gives every room good ventilation. The hall is to be presided over by Rev. Dr. D. J. Plummer, of Clarksville, Tenn.

Science Hall stands between these two buildings. It is plain, but neat. The gymnasium stands back of the main building, and is the prettiest building on the grounds.

Besides these, there are several houses for the professors, which are built in various styles.

I suppose more degrees have been conferred on the young men this session than at any time in its history. Every crowd of boys has some one

who has been honored. The degrees are H. T. M's and H. T. M's—had the mumps and had the measles. They seem to be very popular at this time.

Commencement is drawing near, and the students are hard at work preparing for examinations. Gov. Colquitt, of Georgia, will deliver the address before the societies, and Rev. B. M. Messieh, of Louisville, Ky., will preach the commencement sermon.

There are, in all departments, this session, 633 students, an increase of 148 over last session. A new department—Commercial School—is to be added to the University, which makes the seventh. The authorities are preparing to erect a new building for it. Commencement exercises will begin the 23d and close the 27th of May. No doubt there will be an interesting time. Can't you attend?

Respectfully,

E. B. GRAHAM.

We have a large and complete stock of gent's and boy's spring clothing for sale, at extremely low prices. Harkins & Durrett.

MARRIED.

HOWARD—SIDES.—On Wednesday evening, April 13th, 1881, at the residence of the bride's father, L. Sides, near Pleasant Grove, Miss., Mr. A. J. HOWARD, of Van Buren, Tenn., and Miss NINIE L. SIDES, Rev. Mr. Cogdell officiating.

ATTENDANTS.—John Sides and Miss Mollie Smith, Frank Lake and Miss Lee Sides.

An interesting entertainment was given in honor of the bride and bridegroom on Thursday evening, the 14th inst., in Van Buren, at the hospitable residence of R. W. Smith, Esq.

The parlors and halls were crowded, and the moments sped quickly and pleasantly away under the spell of woman's wit and smiles. At a reasonable hour supper was announced, and it was just such a splendid feast as was expected to be spread by the host and hostess. The tables were loaded with most tempting viands.

Miss Belle Newsome, of Henderson, and Miss Lizzie Lake, of Van Buren, added much to the entertainment of the company by their elegant performances on the piano. Miss Mollie S., by her grace and tact, held a covey of admirers during the entire evening.

Mr. F. L. looked the picture of happiness during that prolonged tele-adele in the corner. The "Squire and his estimable lady added much to the enjoyment of the evening by their cheerful presence in the parlors. A boy of pretty girls from the surrounding country were present. We cannot pass the elder hostess, Mrs. Ham, by unnoticed, whose cheerful face was welcomed by all throughout the entire mansion.

A GUEST.

DIED.

BRUCE.—At her residence, near Cedar Chapel, April 14th, 1881, after a long and painful illness, Mrs. AMERICA J. BRUCE, aged 28 years.

Local items and letters monopolize our space this week to the exclusion of editorial matter.

—Mr. O. J. Moore, a prominent merchant of Winona, Miss., is visiting his son, Dr. E. D. Moore.

We have a very large and well-selected stock of mens', ladies' and children's shoes and slippers, of all kinds and prices, which we offer for sale at rock-bottom prices.

Harkins & Durrett.

Special Locals.

Hutton & Bliss' hand-made French calf shoes for gent's, newest styles, at Harkins & Durrett's.

You can find the Singer Sewing Machine, Oil, Needles, Etc., for sale at Swinebroad & Billings office. 4-7-1

We sell T. Miles Bros' custom-made shoes for ladies' and misses' wear. HARKINS & DURRETT.

Reed's Gilt Edge Tonic cures acidity of the Stomach.

We have for sale three top buggies and a spring wagon, very cheap. Harkins & Durrett.

Reed's Gilt Edge Tonic is a mild Laxative.

A large stock of spring dress goods, for sale at prices to suit all.

Harkins & Durrett.

Reed's Gilt Edge Tonic cures habitual Costiveness.

Gent's furnishing goods, all kinds and prices.

Harkins & Durrett.

Reed's Gilt Edge Tonic allays Irritation.

A large and complete stock of ladies', misses' and children's trimmed hats, the latest fashions.

Harkins & Durrett.

ATTENTION.

The undersigned has just received a large and desirable assortment of NEW GOODS, all of which are ready for inspection. And he would be glad to see his customers and friends, and give them prices before purchasing elsewhere, for he will not be undersold.

J. A. WILSON.

Bolivar, Tenn., April 21, 1882.

Gent's and boy's fur and straw hats, all kinds and prices.

Harkins & Durrett.